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STAR (Statewide Training And Resources) showcases EPP Opportunities at STAR 2010
Tuesday, May 4, 2010 8:00am 4:00pm, Boston Convention & Exhibition Center

On-line Attendee Registration is open until April 26th: [Attendee Registration](#)

Each year the Operational Services Division coordinates the STAR Exposition that brings together almost 2,000 Commonwealth employees and more than 300 vendors on statewide contracts and multi-department contracts for one complete day. This year STAR offers more as STAR 2010 is a double event this year.

Now that Executive Order 515 is in place to strengthen our successes in green purchasing, agencies, authorities and others should take advantage of seeing some of the environmental opportunities offered on state contracts at the upcoming *STAR 2010 Exposition* on May 4, at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center. This years event features two workshops focused on green procurement issues: *The Green Side of Janitorial Services*, which will discuss two recently awarded cleaning products and services contracts and *Maximizing the Benefits of Facility Statewide Contracts*, that will highlight cost savings benefits and strategies available under contracts containing environmentally preferable products (EPPs).

In addition, there are as many as 134 EPP exhibitors registered for the event. They include equipment and technology for office environments, reduced toxicity products for cleaning and sanitizing facilities, interior construction components such as carpet, flooring, and outdoor surfaces that represent enhanced environmental design, water conservation systems, alternative fuels and vehicles and much more! And many other exhibitors offer information on statewide contracts in a wide array of categories from advertising, consulting, clothing, facilities, homeland security, information technology, law enforcement, office supplies, professional service, public safety, recreational, telecommunications, training, vehicles to WBE and MBE vendors.

Registration, meals and parking are *free* for public sector personnel, higher education and related non-profits. Visit the [STAR Website](#) to register and get more details on why STAR is important to you and your department. Re-certification education credits are also available. Register online before April 26th to reserve place!

Thank you,

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